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## **INTERIOR DEPARTMENT**

### **National Indian Gaming Commission**

#### **Notice of Approved Class III Tribal Gaming Ordinance**

**AGENCY:** National Indian Gaming Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of the approval of Klawock Cooperative Association Class III gaming ordinance by the Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission.

**DATES:** This notice is applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dena Wynn, Office of General Counsel at the National Indian Gaming Commission, 202-632-7003, or by facsimile at 202-632-7066 (not toll-free numbers).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA) 25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq., established the National Indian Gaming Commission (Commission). Section 2710 of IGRA authorizes the Chairman of the Commission to approve Class II and Class III tribal gaming ordinances. Section 2710 (d) (2) (B) of IGRA, as implemented by NIGC regulations, 25 CFR 522.8, requires the Chairman to publish, in the *Federal Register*, approved Class III tribal gaming ordinances and the approvals thereof.

IGRA requires all tribal gaming ordinances to contain the same requirements concerning tribes' sole proprietary interest and responsibility for the gaming activity, use

of net revenues, annual audits, health and safety, background investigations and licensing of key employees and primary management officials. The Commission, therefore, believes that publication of each ordinance in the *Federal Register* would be redundant and result in unnecessary cost to the Commission.

Thus, the Commission believes that publishing a notice of approved Class III tribal gaming ordinances in the *Federal Register*, is sufficient to meet the requirements of 25 U.S.C. 2710 (d) (2) (B). Every ordinance and approval thereof is posted on the Commission's website ([www.nigc.gov](http://www.nigc.gov)) under General Counsel, Gaming Ordinances within five (5) business days of approval.

On December 8, 2022, the Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission approved Klawock Cooperative Association Class III Gaming Ordinance. A copy of the approval letter is posted with this notice and can be found with the approved ordinance on the NIGC's website ([www.nigc.gov](http://www.nigc.gov)) under General Counsel, Gaming Ordinances. A copy of the approved Class III ordinance will also be made available upon request. Requests can be made in writing to the Office of General Counsel, National Indian Gaming Commission, Attn: Dena Wynn, 1849 C Street NW, MS #1621, Washington, DC 20240 or at [info@nigc.gov](mailto:info@nigc.gov).

National Indian Gaming Commission.

Dated: December 20, 2022.

**Michael Hoenig,**  
*General Counsel.*

November 8, 2022

VIA E-MAIL

Patricia Cottle, President

Klawock Cooperative Association

310 Bayview Boulevard

Klawock, Alaska 99925

Re: Klawock Cooperative Association Gaming Ordinance

Dear President Cottle:

This letter responds to your September 14, 2022 request for the National Indian Gaming Commission Chairman to review and approve the Klawock Cooperative Association Gaming Ordinance. The NIGC originally approved the Klawock Cooperative Association Gaming Ordinance on November 6, 1993. The Klawock Cooperative Association Council adopted the amended Gaming Ordinance on July 12, 2022 and you signed the amended Gaming Ordinance on July 13, 2022. The amended Gaming Ordinance mirrors the NIGC's Revised Model Gaming Ordinance issued as part of Bulletin 2018-1. Thank you for bringing the gaming ordinance to our attention and for providing us with a copy. The ordinance is approved as it is consistent with the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act and NIGC regulations. Please note for future references that 25 C.F.R 522.3 requires tribes to submit any amendment to an ordinance for the Chair's approval within fifteen (15) days of adoption. If you have any questions concerning this letter or the ordinance review process, please contact Staff Attorney Danielle Wu at [danielle.wu@nigc.gov](mailto:danielle.wu@nigc.gov).

Sincerely,

E. Sequoyah Simermeyer Chairman

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